Item 1

16th November 2022

VICTORIA PARK AREA PARTNERSHIP'S MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held on 7th September 2022, by video conference.

Present: Councillor Eunis Jassemi (Chair) and Councillor Lana Reid-McConnell, Glasgow City Council; Elizabeth Brown, Whiteinch Community Council; Mary Kate Harte, Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership; Station Commander David McGroarty, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and Dorothy Stewart, Broomhill Community Council.

Apologies: Councillor Feargal Dalton, Glasgow City Council; Roisin Kelly, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; Duncan Speirs, Thornwood Community Council; and Inspector Kenneth Robertson and Sergeant Gillian Frew, Police Scotland.

Attending: P Yule (Clerk); S Anderson and N Chauhdry (for the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities); L Lovelock, Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network; and K McCormick and F O'Rourke (for the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability).

Minutes of previous meeting approved.

1 The minutes of 15th June 2022 were submitted and approved.

Glasgow Community Planning Partnership Governance Framework - Membership update noted.

2 There was submitted and noted a report by the Director of Legal and Administration providing an update regarding membership of this Partnership, noting that

(1) James Tudor had been replaced by Dorothy Jane Stewart as the new representative for Broomhill Community Council with Charles Scott being the new substitute representative;

(2) Mary Kate Harte had been nominated as the new representative for Glasgow City Health and Social Care Partnership with Ayisha Azam being the new substitute representative; and

(3) Roisin Kelly had been nominated as the new representative for Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network.

Local Parks and Open Space Improvement Fund – Funding approved etc. – Request to Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability.

3 There was submitted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund, advising of

(1) the local engagment undertaken around the use of open spaces; and

(2) the list of updated options for investment of this Fund and a breakdown of costs totalling £44,000 that had been updated since papers had been issued.

After consideration, the partnership

(a) noted and thanked Mr McCormick for the report;

(b) agreed that no decisions would be made on the proposed projects for the Thornwood Benches and for a street tree in Thornwood until the Partnership received a breakdown of the costing and locations of the benches;

(c) approved the funding of the projects totalling £35,100, as detailed in the appendix to these minutes; and

(d) requested that the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability submit a more detailed report of the breakdown costing for a street tree and locations of the benches in Thornwood area to be considered at the next Area Partnership

Victoria Park Infrastructure Fund 2022/23 – Update noted.

4 There was heard an updated report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability (NRS) regarding the recommended options for spend towards Neighbourhood Infrastructure asset improvements, advising

(1) of the options for the use of the infrastructure improvement fundand that there was no time limit to when this funding required to be spent;

(2) that NRS would contact members of the community, including online conversations, to discuss areas that required improvement; and

(3) of a new Tool-Kit that would be used by NRS to collate all the information received from the Ward and that NRS would attend a future meeting of this Partnership to provide a a progress report.

After consideration the Partnership noted and thanked Ms O'Rourke.

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Ward update noted.

5 There was heard a report by Station Commander David McGroarty, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) regarding the current issues, incidents and work being carried out in the Ward for Quarter 1 2022/23, advising the Partnership that the Service

(1) had attended 40 fires, 73 false alarms,29 of which had been unwanted fire alarms, 8 Special Services and carried out 35 high risk home fire safety visits;

(2) continued to work with partners on fire safety, CPR and water safety, including engagement events in parks and close to bodies of water to highlight the dangers of water; and

(3) had seconded a member of the team to the Council's Glasgow Helps initiative to promote partnership engagement and the Prevention and Protection team had developed a Child Trafficking Awareness presentation that had been delivered to all Glasgow Firefighters and would be cascaded nationally.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report;

(b) raised questions in relation to water safety around ponds across the City and to see what the SFRS could do to provide safety signage around all ponds; and

(c) thanked Station Commander McGroarty for the update.

Police Scotland Consideration continued.

6 The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of this item to a future meeting of this Partnership.

North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network - Update noted.

7 There was submitted a report by Ms Lyn Lovelock, North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network (NWGVSN) providing an update an update on the work the Network had carried out throughout the City, including the IT Recycling Project, Network and online Cuppa and Catchup meetings, the Glasgow Communities Fund and the help given to members with the application process and the increased number of people who had accessed foodbanks and pantries due to the cost of living crisis

After consideration, the Partnership noted the report and thanked Ms Lovelock for the update.

Area Budget 2022/23 – Applications for funding dealt with etc.

8 With reference to the minutes of the Council's City Administration Committee of 12th March 2020 when the committee approved the 2022/23 Area Budget allocations as part of a 3-year package of funding, there was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities providing an introduction to the Area Budget, details of the current position with the 2022/23 Area Budget and applications for funding for 2022/23, advising

(1) of the current position in relation to the Area Partnership's budget for 2022/23;

(2) that the Victoria Park Area Partnership's Area Budget allocation for 2022/23 was £60,943.40;

(3) that the Area Partnership had allocated £41,109.02 (67.5%) to date, leaving a balance of £19,834.38 (32.5%); and

(4) of the applications for funding from the Area Budget for 2022/23.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted

(i) the position regarding the Area Budget Allocations for 2022/23; and

(ii) the 1 application and dealt with under delegated function, as detailed in the report

(b) dealt with the applications for funding as follows, the grant awards being subject to the conditions detailed in the report:-

Applicant	*Purpose of application*	*Decision*
The Whiteinch Centre Ltd	To purchase new chairs and folding event table	Consideration continued for further information
Halo Arts	Towards the cost of delivering the third annual West End community panto, 'Sleeping Betty'	Awarded £3,468
The Partick Pluckers	Towards the costs of a trip to The pantomime	Awarded £366

A New Model for Area Partnerships - Noted.

9 There was submitted a report by the Director of Community Empowerment and Equalities regarding the new model for Area Partnerships, advising of

(1) a range of information to support the transition to a new way of working;

(2) an update on the 3 pilot Citizens' Panels and the next stages going forward;

(3) Ward information for the Victoria Park Area Partnership and the impact on the ward;

(4) an update on the City's Community Action Plan;

(5) a guidance and a template for the Local Area Action Plan;

(6) the local venues to be considered should the Partnership elect to hold meetings in the Ward;

(7) the proposals on how communication would be improved across the Partnership and details of training and ongoing support for members;

(8) an update on the future of Sector Partnerships; and

(9) the recommendations for the Partnership.

After consideration, the Partnership

(a) noted the report; and the event with community councils on 20th August 2022, which had been well attended;

(b) that subgroups should be agreed and meetings could be attended by digital inclusion groups who would provide information to members;

(c) that support and guidance would be provided by the Community Empowerment Team; and

(d) agreed to continue with an online meeting for the next Area Partnership on 16th November 2022.

VICTORIA PARK AREA PARTNERSHIP – LOCAL PARKS AND OPEN SPACES – ALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDING TOTALLING £35,100 FOR 2021/22

Option Number	*Location*	*Project*	*Total allocation*
1	Victoria Park Play Area	Contribution towards wider package of funding to support full refurbishment, with potential for funding from developer contributions and Scottish Government funding for Play Area Renewal Fund also being reviewed	£5,500

2	Victoria Park	Bring forward proposals and costings to a future meeting of this Partnership for match funding one or more Short Term Actions for the Vision being consulted on by Victoria Park Community Trust	£24,000
3	Greenspace near Whiteinch Centre	Contribution towards a wider package of funding to support food growing at a greenspace near Whiteinch Centre to support their community fridge and foodbank	£5,000
4	Bulb Planting and Wildflower Plug Planting	Contribution towards a wider package of funding- potential sites to be considered include: - Whiteinch cycleway - Naseby park Broomhill - Thornwood park – beside fence running along Dumbarton Road - Islands Thornwood Dumbarton Road - Dumbarton Rd various green areas Whiteinch	£600